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- Financial service providers, such as [provide illustrative examples, such as 'mortgage bankers, securities broker-dealers, and insurance agents']:
- Non-financial companies, such as [provide illustrative examples, such as "retailers, direct marketers, airlines, and publishers"]; and
- Others, such as [provide illustrative examples, such as 'non-profit organizations'].

We may also disclose nonpublic personal information about you to nonaffiliated third parties as permitted by law.

#### A-5—Service provider/joint marketing exception

You may use one of these clauses, as applicable, to meet the requirements of  $\S716.6(a)(5)$  related to the exception for service providers and joint marketers in  $\S716.13$ . If you disclose nonpublic personal information under this exception, you must describe the categories of nonpublic personal information you disclose and the categories of third parties with whom you have contracted.

### Sample Clause A-5, Alternative 1:

We may disclose the following information to companies that perform marketing services on our behalf or to other financial institutions with whom we have joint marketing agreements:

- Information we receive from you on applications or other forms, such as [provide it-lustrative examples, such as "your name, address, social security number, assets, and income"]:
- Information about your transactions with us, our affiliates, or others, such as [provide illustrative examples, such as "your account balance, payment history, parties to transactions, and credit card usage"]; and
- Information we receive from a consumer reporting agency, such as [provide illustrative examples, such as "your creditworthiness and credit history"].

# Sample Clause A-5, Alternative 2:

We may disclose all of the information we collect, as described [describe location in the notice, such as "above" or "below"] to companies that perform marketing services on our behalf or to other financial institutions with whom we have joint marketing agreements.

# A-6—Explanation of opt out right (credit unions that disclose outside of the exceptions)

You may use this clause, as applicable, to meet the requirement of §716.6(a)(6) to provide an explanation of the consumer's right to opt out of the disclosure of nonpublic personal information to nonaffiliated third parties, including the method(s) by which the consumer may exercise that right. This clause may be used if you disclose nonpublic personal information other than as per-

mitted by the exceptions in  $\S\S\,716.13,\ 716.14,$  and 716.15.

#### Sample Clause A-6:

If you prefer that we not disclose non-public personal information about you to nonaffiliated third parties, you may opt out of those disclosures, that is, you may direct us not to make those disclosures (other than disclosures permitted by law). If you wish to opt out of disclosures to nonaffiliated third parties, you may [describe a reasonable means of opting out, such as "call the following toll-free number: (insert number)].

# A-7—Confidentiality and security (all credit unions)

You may use this clause, as applicable, to meet the requirement of §716.6(a)(8) to describe your policies and practices with respect to protecting the confidentiality and security of nonpublic personal information.

#### Sample Clause A-7:

We restrict access to nonpublic personal information about you to [provide an appropriate description, such as "those employees who need to know that information to provide products or services to you"]. We maintain physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with federal regulations to guard your nonpublic personal information

# **PART 721—INCIDENTAL POWERS**

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## §721.1 What does this part cover?

This part authorizes a federal credit union (you) to engage in activities incidental to your business as set out in this part. This part also describes how interested parties may request a legal opinion on whether an activity is within a federal credit union's incidental powers or apply to add new activities or categories to the regulation. An activity approved in a legal opinion to an interested party or as a result of an application by an interested party to add new activities or categories is recognized as an incidental powers activity for all federal credit unions. This part does not apply to the activities of corporate credit unions.

# § 721.2 What is an incidental powers activity?

An incidental powers activity is one that is necessary or requisite to enable you to carry on effectively the business for which you are incorporated. An activity meets the definition of an incidental power activity if the activity:

- (a) Is convenient or useful in carrying out the mission or business of credit unions consistent with the Federal Credit Union Act;
- (b) Is the functional equivalent or logical outgrowth of activities that are part of the mission or business of credit unions: and
- (c) Involves risks similar in nature to those already assumed as part of the business of credit unions.

# § 721.3 What categories of activities are preapproved as incidental powers necessary or requisite to carry on a credit union's business?

The categories of activities in this section are preapproved as incidental to carrying on your business under §721.2. The examples of incidental powers activities within each category are provided in this section as illustrations of activities permissible under the particular category, not as an exclusive or exhaustive list.

- (a) Certification services. Certification services are services whereby you attest or authenticate a fact for your members' use. Certification services may include such services as notary services, signature guarantees, certification of electronic signatures, and share draft certifications.
- (b) Correspondent services. Correspondent services are services you provide to other credit unions that you

are authorized to perform for your members or as part of your operation. These services may include loan processing, loan servicing, member check cashing services, disbursing share withdrawals and loan proceeds, cashing and selling money orders, performing internal audits, and automated teller machine deposit services.

- (c) Electronic financial services. Electronic financial services are any services, products, functions, or activities that you are otherwise authorized to perform, provide, or deliver to your members but performed through electronic means. Electronic services may include automated teller machines, electronic fund transfers, online transaction processing through a web site, web site hosting services, account aggregation services, and Internet access services to perform or deliver products or services to members.
- (d) Excess capacity. Excess capacity is the excess use or capacity remaining in facilities, equipment, or services that: You properly invested in or established, in good faith, with the intent of serving your members; and you reasonably anticipate will be taken up by the future expansion of services to your members. You may sell or lease the excess capacity in facilities, equipment or services such as office space, employees and data processing.
- (e) Financial counseling services. Financial counseling services means advice, guidance or services that you offer to your members to promote thrift or to otherwise assist members on financial matters. Financial counseling services may include income tax preparation service, electronic tax filing for your members, counseling regarding estate and retirement planning, investment counseling, and debt and budget counseling.
- (f) Finder activities. Finder activities are activities in which you introduce or otherwise bring together outside vendors with your members so that the two parties may negotiate and consummate transactions. Finder activities may include offering third party products and services to members through the sale of advertising space on your web site, account statements and receipts, or selling statistical or consumer financial information to outside